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# News + Views

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## ST. LUKE'S GRADUATE DEVOTES HER LIFE TO HEALING BODY AND SPIRIT

MARY JANE Brain Misner has made a career of ministering to people. A 1957 graduate of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, she's been a nurse for almost 40 years. And, for the past nine years, she's also been an ordained deacon of the Episcopal Church, serving at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Whitewater, Wisc., where she blends her desire to care for people's spiritual health with her ability to care for their physical health in a very special ministry.

"My whole life is ministering to other people," she says simply and without pride. She began as a private duty nurse and, over the years, has been a hospital staff nurse, a homecare nurse and a hospice nurse. Misner also has worked in nursing homes and, in the mid-

1970s, graduated from the University of Wisconsin's geriatric nurse practitioner program.

Today, Misner earns a living as a case manager and clinical supervisor for a private home health agency in Whitewater. As a deacon, she proclaims the gospel, assists with church services, preaches, teaches and counsels.

And Mary Misner is also a parish nurse, running St. Luke's parish nurse ministry, "It's holistic healthcare proclaimed through the church to care for the body, mind and spirit," she explains. Misner, another nurse and parish volunteers staff the program, providing services for the homebound, and operating a prayer chain.

The program also runs a monthly clinic where people come to be weighed, have



Mary Jane Brain Misner with husband, Daniel.

their blood pressure checked, find answers to their health-care questions, and get referrals for health care. The clinic is offered during one of the "Gathering" nights.

"During the Gathering, the parish serves meals the last two days of the month and on the first day of the next month to people who are hungry. Those are the days the welfare and Social Security checks are waning," Misner explains.

Misner says the Gathering attracts between 25 and

80 people, ranging from construction workers to farm laborers to students who attend the University of Wisconsin at Whitewater. "This is a ministry to people who have not," says Misner, "but many come just to be social, too."

The unique healthcare ministry includes prayer, the laying on of hands and anointing with oil at St. Luke's Wednesday night eucharist services and at the quarterly Sunday healing service.

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## STUDY SHOWS PLAN EASES STRESS OF REARING TOUGH TODDLERS

DEBORAH Gross's research on living through those tough toddler years has so far shown that a simple intervention, an interactive group training program in effective parenting, can lower the stress of managing a toddler while increasing the confidence it takes to get through the terrible twos.

Gross, who earned a DNSC from Rush in 1983, is a professor in the College of Nursing and has been studying maternal confidence since 1989. Following 12 weekly group sessions on how to deal effectively with the toddlers, the mostly Caucasian, mostly middle-class mothers in her 1992 pilot study reported less stress and more confidence. They also demonstrated improvements in their interactions with their toddlers — they used more praise, less criticism and fewer physical interventions.

Now, funded by a \$1.5 million federal grant, Gross plans to take her research into low-income Chicago neighborhoods to see if the intervention principles practiced in the training programs will work with other families and with teachers in licensed daycare centers.

Many parents will agree that the toddler stage is a tough one for most households. Two- and three-year-olds are no longer sweet little babies who stay put and out of mischief. They're mobile,

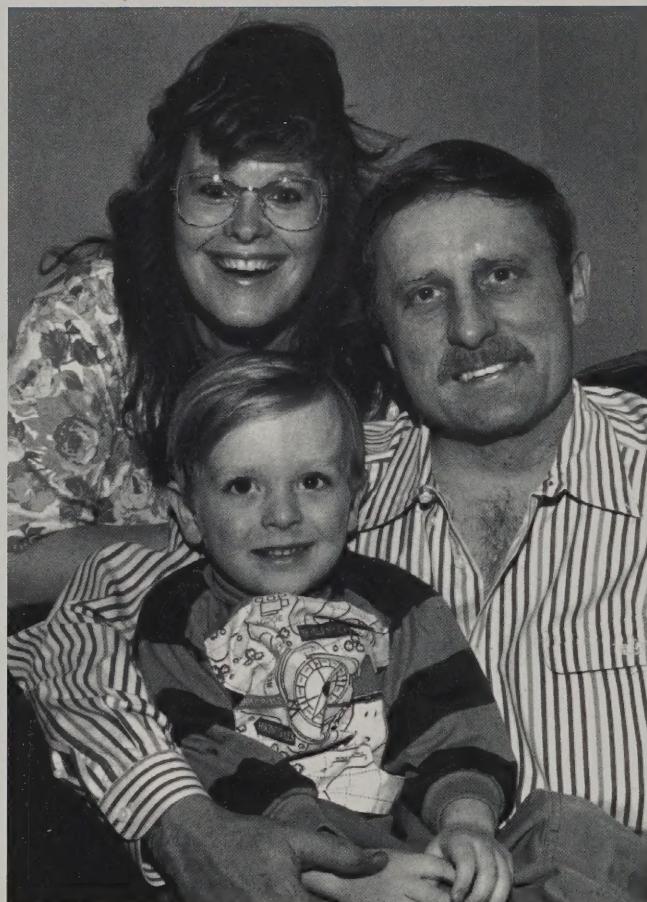


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they're exploring the world and they're into everything.

Some toddlers are what Gross calls tough kids. "They're intense, persistent, active and negative. Seventy-to-80 percent of the parents involved in this program have boys."

The parents — most often, the mothers — feel ineffective in dealing with their children. Mothers become confused, stressed and begin to lack confidence about their ability to rear a child.

It doesn't have to be this way, even with a tough kid, says Gross. "It's not the parent's fault. They need a plan, and toddlerhood is the time to set up early patterns of discipline and expected behavior."

Participants in Gross's study attend weekly two-hour meetings. Led by two group leaders trained by Gross, parents learn to play with their children and to use a praise and reward system to manage their behav-

ior. Parents are taught how to set effective limits, manage misbehavior and solve problems. The program is based on one developed by Carolyn Webster-Stratton of the University of Washington.

The training uses video vignettes of parents "doing things right and not so right when a parent-child problem develops," says Gross. "The vignettes act to stimulate group discussion and problem solving."

The entire program focuses on making parents feel good about their ideas on child rearing, and helps them teach their children to feel good about themselves.

Some of the things the program teaches parents are:

- Pay attention to behavior you want to see more of. Much of the program is spent undoing the tendency of parents to pay lots of attention to misbehavior.
- Give effective commands. Parents are encouraged to tell their child exactly what he needs to do and then to praise him specifically when he does it, which is very effective with two- and three-year-olds, says Gross. "Unlabelled praise, like 'Oh, you're a good boy,' doesn't work as well as labelled praise 'I like the way you put on your coat,'" she explains.

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# ALUMNI SUPPORT CRUCIAL TO FUNDING ENDOWED CHAIR

By Karen Van Dyke Lamb, Pres.-St. Luke's '67, Rush MS '82 and ND '91

Assistant professor, Rush College of Nursing; President, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Nurses Alumni Association



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Pres.-St. Luke's '67, Rush  
MS '82, ND '91

IN THE LAST issue of *News + Views*, I had the opportunity to tell you about our plans to establish the Alumni Association Chair in the College of Nursing. The Association's Board of Directors chose health and the aging process for the chair's area of concentration because our American society is growing older at this time, thanks in part to all of us Baby Boomers.

Because there are still many unanswered questions about healthy aging, this area of research is very important. And, as so many of our members know from hands-on experience in caring for older people, nurses have many, many opportunities to make a difference in the lives of older adults.

Your support is crucial to the success of funding this chair. To make it a reality, we still need to raise approximately \$350,000. I sincerely thank all of you alums who have already given your support to the chair. And to the alums who haven't yet pledged a gift to the chair, I ask that consider making a contribution to this worthy cause.

Since becoming president of the Alumni Association, my awareness of the organization's purpose and goals has certainly grown. I want to share my increased awareness with you. The essence of our purpose is to support the mission of the

College of Nursing. We exist to support the college, and over the past months, I have been so pleased to see how strongly the alumni support the college. Your commitment is inspiring to me.

I feel very strongly that our alumni need to be personally involved in helping the College of Nursing hold to its mission and meet its goals. Whether your personal involvement is supporting the Alumni Association endowed chair, student scholarships or the general fund, I ask all of you to reflect on our purpose and determine how you can contribute personally.

Only if we work together, can the Alumni Association achieve its goals.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at Homecoming Weekend in June. At the Homecoming Banquet, I will introduce to you Ron Hart, husband of Donna Kromer Hart, Pres.-St. Luke's '61. In her memory, Donna's family is carrying on her commitment to the College of Nursing with the establishment of the Donna Kromer Hart Endowment Fund for Nursing Education. The endowment will fund a scholarship for a nursing student who exhibits the potential to bring to nursing the same compassion that Donna brought to her career.

Because Donna Hart and her husband, Ron, were involved in meeting their community's healthcare needs, scholarship recipients will be expected to work in a community setting after they graduate from the College of Nursing. I am so touched that Donna's family has chosen to remember her in this very special way.

In April, I attended the Midwest Nursing Research Society's annual meeting in Detroit. During the meeting, I was delighted to host a Nurses Alumni Association reception for our alumni and friends. It was a great opportunity for me to personally update these special people on the goals and progress of the Association and to talk with them about the productive research being conducted by our faculty and alums in areas such as pain in children with sickle cell disease and predicting pressure ulcers in critical care patients.

In addition to presenting research findings at the meeting, our alums also were involved in organizing the event. Several alums and faculty reviewed abstracts. Dr. Carol Farran, Rush DNSC '85, who chaired the program's committee, is a professor in the Rush department of psychiatric nursing and president-elect of the Research Society.

# AN EXCELLENT RUSH EDUCATION OPENS CAREER DOORS

By Kathleen Gainor Andreoli, DSN, John L. and Helen Kellogg  
Dean of the College of Nursing and Vice President for Medical Center Nursing Affairs



**"A recent survey of the employment patterns of people who have earned doctor of nursing degrees from the College of Nursing found that 93 percent are employed."**

— Kathleen Gainor Andreoli,  
DSN

THE EDUCATION of nurses continues to evolve. I am pleased to tell you that Rush College of Nursing is constantly seeking ways to make education more accessible to women and men who want to participate in graduate as well as in undergraduate nursing studies.

Two new College of Nursing programs illustrate ways in which we are striving to meet the needs of graduate nursing students:

- Nine nurses graduated in February as members of the first class in the College of Nursing's acute care nurse practitioner program. (See related article in *Rush Record's* "Medical Front" section.) The nine, all of whom already held master of nursing degrees, took only the courses they needed to meet nurse practitioner certification requirements. Seven of the nine February grads are Rush employees, working in areas like the pediatrics intensive care unit and the heart transplant unit.
- Our doctor of nursing science program offers a full-time summer doctoral program to accommodate busy lifestyles. It's been tailored especially for faculty members who have the summer off, and is based on classes offered for nine weeks during three

consecutive summers. During the rest of the academic year, doctoral candidates work on their dissertations while taking approved, transferable courses at universities close to home. For more information on this innovative program, please call Rush University's College Admission Services, 312-942-7100.

- The College of Nursing and Chicago's Roosevelt University have put together a creative program that is ideal for nurses who want to specialize and develop careers as advanced practice nurses. The program, designed for registered nurses, admits students to both Roosevelt and Rush. After earning bachelor's degrees in patient services at Roosevelt, the nurses directly enter the Rush graduate program. Roosevelt's flexible scheduling will allow working nurses to study part time at both the Chicago and Arlington Heights campuses. Of particular interest is the fact that the program has contributed to an increase in our enrollment of minority students.

A recent survey of the employment patterns of people who have earned doctor of nursing degrees from the College of Nursing found that

93 percent are employed. The work they do is so varied. Our ND grads work as executives, consultants, teachers, certified nurse practitioners and midwives. The ND program was established in 1990, graduated its first class in 1991 and has awarded a total of 66 degrees. Fifty-eight of those Rush NDs, or 88 percent, responded to the survey.

Our undergraduates are doing well, too. Ninety-six percent of Rush College of Nursing graduates who took the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses for the first time in 1995 passed the test, which is required for licensure in Illinois. The national pass rate is 90 percent, and the Illinois pass rate, 91 percent.

The support of alumni is important to both our graduate and undergraduate programs. Your contributions fund scholarships and make special enrichment programs possible. Moreover, your support of the Nurses Alumni Association Endowed Chair in Health and the Aging Process will help the College continue to recruit top-flight faculty as well as high caliber students.

The College is especially appreciative of the alumni and all the good things you do for us. Thank you.

## SPIRIT

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"Being the parish nurse is part of my deaconate ministry to serve people as Jesus would," says Misner.

Mary Misner can't remember when she didn't want to be a nurse. "There was no other choice for me," she says, recalling childhood photographs of herself in a nurse's uniform costume complete with cap and bib. "And St. Luke's was the only place I was going to go."

Her connection to the church is deeply rooted, too. "I'm what we call a 'cradle Episcopalian,'" she says. "My grandparents started Episcopal churches along the way as they emigrated from Canada to the midwestern United States."

She knows her calling to her church's ministry goes back a long way, as well, because, when cleaning recently, she found something that perfectly illustrates it. She came across a

water color she did when she was a south-side Chicago eighth grader taking Saturday classes at the Art Institute. "The assignment was to paint a picture of our favorite place to be," says Misner. "I painted myself kneeling in the sanctuary of a church, so you can see, that from the time I was a girl, there was a connection between me and the altar."

Misner realized during consultation with her spiritual adviser in the early 1980s that she did want to proclaim the gospel from the altar as an adult.

The education of an Episcopal deacon usually takes three years of individualized study. "I liked it so much, I repeated a year, and took four-and-a-half years to finish," laughs Misner. She studied at Hashota House Seminary in Oconomowac, Wisc., taking classes in church history, the New and Old Testaments, theology and the work of the church.

During this preparation

period, postulents are asked often, "Why do you want to be ordained? How will ordination affect you?"

"My time in study affirmed my calling," says Misner. "I felt called by God to be one of His special people, to do His work for His people. I am different, but I am the same. I have one foot in the world and one foot in the church, and I try to integrate the two so others can see Our Lord at work through me. It's hard, but with every step, every tear, every joy, it's a very special place to be."

Misner has no plans to become an Episcopal priest. "As a permanent deacon, I work directly with people. If I were a parish priest, I'd also have to be concerned about things like budgets. I like where I am. Even though I have organizational skills, I'm not called to be a priest."

Misner honed many of those skills while studying to be a nurse at St. Luke's in the mid-1950s. "When I was finished there, I knew how to

organize patient care. I knew bedside nursing, how to organize people to do what needs to be done and how to run a floor. I knew how to enter the system and how to work a system, which has been very valuable to me. As third-year St. Luke's students, we worked night shifts in the hospital. Working with doctors and residents, there was true partnership and teamwork in caring for patients. That was very important to me as a student, and it made me feel valuable."

The most difficult part of being a student at St. Luke's was getting back to the dorm on South Indiana Avenue before the doors were locked, Misner recalls. "And, oh, those starched collars on our uniforms!"

Misner and her husband, Daniel, a retired public school administrator, live in Walworth, Wisc., which is about 25 miles south of Whitewater. They are the parents of four grown children and three grandchildren.

## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HOSTS RECEPTION IN DETROIT



All smiles at the Alumni Association's reception held during the Midwest Nursing Research Society's March meeting in Detroit are (from left) Liz Carlson, Rush DNSC '88; former College of Nursing faculty member Jan Schuerbel, PhD; former Nursing Services Research Support staff member Connie Zak; Sandra Robertson, MS, St. Luke's '57; and Karen VanDyke Lamb, ND, president of the association.



College of Nursing faculty attending the Research Society's meeting included (from left) Sandra Faux, PhD; Virginia Maikler, PhD, Rush MS '80; Liz Carlson, Rush DNSC '88; Carol Rogers Pitula, PhD; and Marion Broome, PhD, former chair of Maternal/ Child Nursing at Rush, who is now a complementary member of the faculty.

## CLASS NOTES

### 1920s

MAGDALENE HEINL SULLIVAN, St. Luke's '29, lives in Freeport, Ill. Her sister, Joanne Heinl Feickert, St. Luke's '29, died in 1995, and was buried in Belleville, Ill.

### 1930s

MARJORIE DOWNS FRED, St. Luke's '31, of Rochester, Ind., continues to correspond with IVY JENSEN LACA-COURCIERE, St. Luke's '30, of West Allis, Wisc. Their classmate, RUTH KELLEY ROCKEY, St. Luke's '30, lives in Chicago.

SYLVIA THOMPSON McGEE, Pres. '37, and her husband, Horace, a 1938 graduate of Rush Medical College, recently celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary.

### 1940s

MYDELLA RAWSON PAPIERNIAK, Pres. '40, of Highland Park, Ill., writes that her husband, Frank Papierniak, MD, died in 1994. They were married for 51 years. Dr. Papierniak was a member of the Rush medical staff from 1949 to 1988.

MARGIE GROTH MAKOUSKY, St. Luke's '44, lives in Fallbrook Calif.

ROSE NEMECEK YAU, Pres. '44, of Westmont, Ill., worked as a school nurse from 1965 until she retired

in 1985. After graduating from Presbyterian, Rose served in World War II in the Army Nurse Corps in the Philippines. She is senior vice commander of the Westmont American Legion and will become the post's first female commander next year.

TWYLLA M. KNAKE, St. Luke's '45, is enjoying her retirement on the banks of the Deschutes River in Bend, Ore. "But you know how it is with nurses," she writes. "Once a nurse, always a nurse."

DOROTHY PINE KLIMCZAK, St. Luke's '48, of Kalamazoo, Mich., and NORMA PLATT GULICK, St. Luke's '48, of Circleville, Ohio, got together last summer for the first time since they worked together following graduation at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

### 1950s

BARBARA J. WILLIAMS, St. Luke's '51, of San Rafael Calif., works at Psychiatric Emergency Services of Marin County, Calif. She plans to retire this year.

GRETCHEN SAUTTER YTTERBERG, St. Luke's '52, and her husband live in Fort Meyers, Fla., where she does case management in a local hospital.

WILMA KING MALOY, St. Luke's '53, of Geff, Ill., writes that the Class of 1953 held a reunion in Arizona in February.

SALLY SAUTTER GORDON, St. Luke's '55, of Miami, Fla., writes that she and her classmates had a ball at their 40th reunion last July. She works part time in a local hospital, which leaves her plenty of time to spend with her four grandchildren.

JOANNE BENNES SCHMID, St. Luke's '58, of Iowa City, Iowa, earned a masters degree in education in 1992. She is an associate professor of nursing at Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

KARAN AMUNDSON-WALIKONIS, Pres. '59, writes that she has moved to the country and built a home on 10 acres of rolling woods. She remarried four-and-a-half years ago and has six grandchildren.

### 1960s

LINDA OYLER RUDER, Pres.-St. Luke's '61, of Glendale Heights, Ill., was featured in a "First Person" article in the March 20 edition of the *Chicago Tribune's* NursingNews. Linda, who has been a home-health nurse for 10 years, currently works for Community Nursing Service of DuPage County.

JO ANN DOAN, Pres.-St. Luke's '63, invites classmates traveling along Interstate 70 in Kansas to stop for a visit with her in Hays. Jo Ann, the grandmother of three, teaches undergraduates in a local university.

SUZANNE COCHRAN MILLER, Pres.-St. Luke's '63, of Grand Rapids, Mich., is a full-time pulmonary rehab coordinator at Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids. She and her husband, an employee of the state of Michigan, hope to retire in two years.

BONNIE PINI BIEHL, Pres.-St. Luke's '66, of St. Charles, Ill., a student at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, has been inducted into Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, an organization of nurse leaders, scholars and researchers.

FRANCES VANDERMYDE CECIL, Pres.-St. Luke's '66, of Sturgeon Bay, Wisc., and her husband continue to operate Scofield House, a Door County Victorian bed and breakfast. Their two daughters live in Chicago, where one is a physical therapist and the other is a third grade teacher. Frances is a nursing supervisor at St. Vincent Hospital in Green Bay, Wisc.

OLGA KOURAKIS PAXINOS, Pres.-St. Luke's '66, of Chicago, and her husband have three children. Their son Ari, a financial adviser, and his wife Zoe are the parents of Olga Olivia. Daughter Eleni is a graduate student in classical studies at the University of Illinois in Champaign. Their younger son Evan graduated from Brother Rice High School in Chicago and attends junior college.

## 1980s

DIANE DeVITA, Rush BS '84, worked as an Army nurse for almost 10 years, rising to the rank of captain, before enrolling in medical school at Virginia Commonwealth University's Medical College of West Virginia. Now a fourth-year med student, she says, "As a nurse, you learn to see patients from a different perspective. It makes a difference in how you approach and treat your patients. I'll take that different perspective with me as I practice medicine." In October, she won the 1995 William and Charlotte Cadbury Scholar Award, given by National

Medical Fellowships, Inc., at the 106th annual meeting of the Association of American Medical Colleges. The award is presented annually to an under-represented minority senior medical student in recognition of outstanding academic achievement, leadership and community service.

### LOIS ANAYA

WINKELMAN, Rush BS '84 and MS '88, of Lockport, Ill., has been elected to a two-year term as president of the Society of Gynecologic Nurse Oncologists. She has been a Rush Medical Center nurse for 13 years, the past eight as a clinical nurse specialist in the department of obstetrics

and gynecology's gynecologic oncology section.

CAROL J. FARRAN, Rush DNSC '85, of Oak Park, Ill., has been named president-elect of the Midwest Nursing Research Society. (See article on Dr. Farran's research on hope and hopelessness in *Rush Record*.)

ANNE ROGERS CLARKE, Rush BS '87, of Sheboygan, Wisc., is a staff nurse on a medical/surgical/oncology/rehab unit at St. Nicholas Hospital in Sheboygan, and teaches part time at the local community college. She and her husband Tom have three children, ages 6, 4 and 1.

## WE'RE HISTORY!

Two historic Rush nursing photos will be featured prominently in the American Nurses Association centennial exhibits which will travel the nation after the group's June national conference in Washington. Representing nursing in the first part of the 20th century will be a photo which features nurses prominently, taken around 1910 in St. Luke's surgery. A Presbyterian Hospital photo showing a nurse working with an orthopedics patient will be featured on the exhibit's 1930s panel.

## STUDY

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- Time-outs are effective in disciplining a child. "A time-out is a controlled, extended ignoring of a child," says Gross. "It can be more effective than spanking."

The intervention program worked with mostly middle class Caucasian parents in the pilot group, who one year later were still using many of the principles they learned. "The parents now know how to stop the struggle between parent and child because they have a sense of what's effective. They stick with it because it's a clear way to handle behavior. Parent training says it isn't your fault. You just need a plan."

One year after the pilot



study ended, confidence levels rose 31 points over their baseline scores. In contrast, confidence scores among a controlled group of mothers dropped 16 points below baseline.

"Now we need to know if it will work in families overwhelmed with stress — the 'working poor' who live in neighborhoods with lots of problems — and if it's feasible to put it into practice in

daycare centers, where teachers often are underpaid, underappreciated and overstressed," says Gross.

What's the result Gross hopes for from her study? "A training program that promotes good mental health for parents, and for children," says the mother of two elementary school-age children, who uses the principles in her own child rearing.

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CONSTANCE J. ADAMS, former chair of maternal nursing at Rush Medical Center, February 1996

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SYLVIA STROMGREN, Pres. '55, of Iowa City, Iowa, Aug. 20, 1995

### St. Luke's

JOANNE HEINL FEICKERT, St. Luke's '28, of Belleville, Ill., May 22, 1995

MARGARET ARNOTT HENRY, St. Luke's '29, of Valley Springs, S. Dak., Nov. 4, 1995

ADA MUELLER SMITH, '30, of Tucson, Ariz., July 1994.

HELEN NAEVE SPONSLER, St. Luke's '37, of Springfield, Ill., November 1995

MARIAN OETJEN TUCKER, St. Luke's '42, of Blue Island, Ill., April 6, 1996

BETTY BORCHARDT PARKER, St. Luke's '44, of Pasadena, Calif., November 1995

RUTH McCrimmon SALTSMAN, St. Luke's '44, of Woodland, Calif., July 1995

JEAN HAWKINS McMILLAN, St. Luke's '55, of Lilburn Ga., Dec. 26, 1995

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## Students expand their knowledge at Interfaith

by Audrey Nagelberg

ON ANY given day, upwards of 50 homeless men and women stay at a communal living center called Interfaith House, recuperating from illness. Depending on their health problem, they can stay for up to three months. The facility, located just a few miles west of Rush, provides a clean bed, three meals a day in the cafeteria, a small library and educational opportunities. What it didn't have until October 1995 were nurse practitioners to conduct health histories and physical assessments and to provide follow-up care.

So the Department of Community Health Nursing, thanks to funding from the Washington Square Health Foundation, set up a clinical site at Interfaith House for undergraduate and graduate nursing students.

"This is a wonderful learning experience," says Debbie Murphy, a nurse

practitioner student. "I get to see so many people with a variety of medical conditions — everything from an abscessed tooth to diabetes."

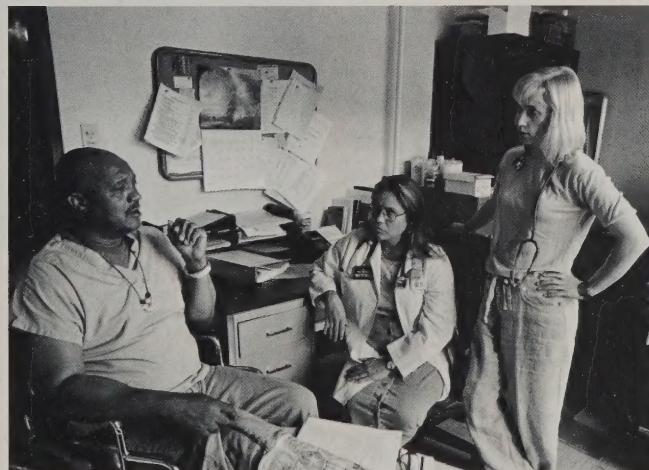
project. They observe Marfell talking with patients and assist with performing laboratory tests and conducting physicals. The students also

address medical concerns, but also other issues of the patient's life and be a part of the community." The staff does not release patients back on to the street or even to a shelter after their stay at Interfaith has ended. Instead, they find temporary housing for patients. They also help patients with substance abuse problems get into appropriate treatment programs.

"Interfaith House is a rich clinical laboratory site for learning about complete physical assessments," says Cheryl Easley, PhD, RN, chairperson and associate professor of the Department of Community Health Nursing. "Beyond that, it's a good place for students to work with a group that is particularly vulnerable and medically underserved."

The Department of Community Health Nursing is charged with providing complete, cost-effective health

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Julie Marfell (middle) and student Debbie Murphy listen to and care for an Interfaith house resident. Photos by Jean Clough

Students work under the guidance of Julie Marfell, ND '94, BSN '90, RN, CS, FNP, practitioner teacher at Rush and the coordinating nurse practitioner faculty for the

work with other volunteer staff, including physicians, social workers and pastors. "Our approach here is holistic," says Marfell. "This is a good opportunity to not only



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services and referrals and an educational opportunity for nursing students. They were also interested in contributing to the body of knowledge about health services for the homeless through an evaluation of this project and the health needs that were identified and met. "Having more knowledge will allow us to determine what proactive measures, such as education, might address the health problems most often faced by homeless people," says Easley.



Julie Marfell (middle) guides student Debbie Murphy in a patient examination.

"The findings may be used later for broader research projects concerning the health needs of the homeless."

Easley and Marfell say the collaboration between Rush College of Nursing and Interfaith House has been a

## Homecoming '96

HOMECOMING '96 was a memorable occasion for nursing alumni. The festivities began on Thursday, June 6, with the 12th annual lun-



Margaret Carruthers Campbell (l) with fellow St. Luke's '56 grad Mary Ellen Archambeau Griffith.

cheon and meeting of the Golden Lamp Society.

At the luncheon, chairperson Joyce Keithley, DNSc, Rush '80, welcomed seven new members and thanked nursing alumni and friends of the society for contributing more than \$27,000 in 1995-1996. Keithley also awarded the Golden Lamp Society Doctoral Scholarship to Anita Catlin, MS, RN, and the Ruth E. Schmidt Endowment Fund for Nursing Education Award to Beverly Dooley, Rush BS '96. Also, Ron Hart, who established an endowed scholarship fund in memory of his wife, Donna, a 1961 graduate of the Presbyterian-



Jo Ann Jacobs Ulrey (l), greets Ruth Haas Gralow for the first time since they graduated from St. Luke's in 1956.

St. Luke's School of Nursing, was honored at the luncheon and at convocation.

Friday's Homecoming activities included the Alumni Tea, hosted by the College of Nursing, and tours of the Medical Center. In the evening, the alumni attended the Homecoming Banquet at the Hotel Inter-Continental. This dinner paid tribute to the anniversary classes of 1936, 1941, 1946, 1951, 1956, 1961,

success. "I'm hoping the students will have an increased knowledge about homeless people and greater sensitivity," says Easley. "I want students to be more confident and compassionate, and I want every person to have access to good health care."

1966 and 1976. Margaret Faut-Callahan, MS '79, DNSc '84, FAAN, professor in the Department of Medical-Surgical Nursing, was awarded the Distinguished Alumna Award.

The festivities concluded on Saturday with commencement, when 166 nursing degrees were conferred. Iris Shannon, PhD, RN, associate professor in the Community Health Nursing program received the Trustee Medal.

# Leading the cause for nurse anesthetists

AT THIS YEAR'S Alumni Banquet, the Rush College of Nursing honored Margaret Faut-Callahan, MS '79, DNSc '84, with the Distinguished Alumna Award. Faut-Callahan is director of the Nurse Anesthesia Program at Rush. She grew up in Skokie, a suburb north of Chicago, and has been with Rush for 23 years as student and faculty member. Faut-Callahan has given back to Rush many times over what she learned from her professors in her teaching of future nurse anesthetists.

In this conversation with *News + Views* editor, Audrey Nagelberg, Faut-Callahan talks about her career, and what the future holds for nurse anesthetists.

**News + Views:** What did receiving the Distinguished Alumna Award mean to you?

**Faut-Callahan:** Being recognized by my peers was especially rewarding. I've been at Rush for my whole career. Most of the nurses who taught me in the operating room were Presbyterian or St. Luke's grads. I have such tremendous respect for people who have graduated not only from the university, but from preceding programs. Some of the real old-timers like Ruth Schmidt were very important in my overall career development.

**N+V:** What inspired you to

choose nursing as a career?

**Faut-Callahan:** I hate to date myself, but growing up back in the 60s and early 70s, women were either nurses or teachers. I have a twin sister, Mary Faut Rodts, MS '80, RN, ONC, who is also a nurse and works with a Rush orthopedic surgeon in private practice.

I've always been interested in being in an operating room. Operating rooms seemed so exciting to me. But when I got there, I saw that there were other nursing opportunities that I wasn't even aware of. I was attracted to the hands-on aspect of nurse anesthesia, more so than being an operating room nurse. Interestingly enough, when I was an undergraduate at Loyola, some of my professors told me that if I chose to be a nurse anesthetist I wouldn't be a nurse anymore — meaning I wouldn't be involved in patient care. I was stunned at this response because when I saw a nurse anesthetist taking care of a patient — watching the monitors, taking blood pressures, and keeping the patient comfortable — all of those things said nursing to me. In retrospect, I'm really grateful that my career ended up the way it did.

**N+V:** How has the field of



Margaret Faut-Callahan addresses the audience at the Alumni Banquet.

tice. In the current act, we're not very pleased with the language that defines our role. We are looking for not only title recognition, but also scope of practice recognition. We will also be looking for some prescriptive authority. We're fortunate at Rush in that we have a very good working relationship with anesthesiologists. We work hard to limit the tensions that may be occurring at other local and national institutions.

**N+V:** There is a poster on your door from the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists that says: "A Profession for the Future: Nurse Anesthesia. Respect, Responsibility and Rewards." Do you have a professional mission?

**Faut-Callahan:** My mission is very focused. I am committed to finding the best ways to educate nurses to be nurse anesthetists and provide the best patient care. I'm also searching for ways that anesthesiologists and nurse anesthetists can work well together. I clearly support the concept of team anesthesia, — anesthesiologists working together with nurses. I hope that over time, our professional organizations will come together to determine what is best before legislators create a mandate. I'd like to be a part of shaping our future.

# Three cheers for this year's Homecoming weekend

By Karen VanDyke Lamb, Pres.-St. Luke's '67, Rush MS '82 and ND '91

Assistant professor, Rush College of Nursing;

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IN THE TWO years I have served as your president, I have had many gratifying experiences interacting with alumni and speaking with students about the heritage of the College of Nursing. But the festivities during Homecoming are surely at the top of my list. Homecoming gives me an opportunity to get to know more of you on a personal basis. It is also a pleasure to see alumni catching up with old friends. This year, the energy and enthusiasm during the Alumni Banquet was infectious. I also got a first-hand feeling for the depth of our alumni's support for the college's activities. Your support is truly appreciated — it is so crucial to the continued success of the college's programs.

It was particularly rewarding for me to recognize more than 70 alumni from the classes of 1946. This was the first time we had such a large turnout from our 50-year graduates.

Another highlight of the evening was my opportunity to present Margaret Faut-Callahan, MS '79, DNSc '84, with the Distinguished Alumna Award (see interview on pg. 3). Faut-Callahan has distinguished herself as a nationally recognized leader in the education of nurse anesthetists. She was one of the first nurse anesthetists in the country to obtain a doctorate, and is the recipient of numerous awards and honors including the Faculty Leadership Award and the Illinois Nurse Anesthetists Distinguished Service Award. Faut-Callahan is a leader in defining nurse anesthesia as an advanced practice role. Her efforts made the concept of direct reimbursement by third-party payers for nurse anesthetists a reality.

Faut-Callahan is one of many Rush alumni who contribute to the profession. The award committee would appreciate receiving nominations for the distinguished alumna candidate from around the country. Criteria for this award include exemplary contributions in nursing leadership, practice or service to the community.

Although I greatly enjoy

the homecoming festivities, there is room for improvement. Many alumni from the diploma programs celebrating anniversaries attend Homecoming, but fewer alumni attend who graduated from the College of Nursing. I would like to give a special invitation to the anniversary classes from the years of 1977 and 1987 to join us at the Homecoming Banquet next year. It would be great to see all of you there.

## FUNDRAISING UPDATE

In the last issue of *News and Views*, I had the opportunity to share with you details about the Alumni Association Chair in Health and the Aging Process. I told you about the importance of this chair and the need for your support of this cause. Now, I would like to share with you the good news — you are responding to our call. Currently, we have raised approximately \$800,000, which leaves us with approximately \$200,000 to meet our goal. Given the response of our alumni so far, I know we will be able to meet this challenge.

## ELECTIONS AND BY-LAWS

I would like to remind all of you that our biennial elections will be taking place at the end of this year. Please take the time to both read the biographies on the candidates, which are located on

the back page of *News + Views*, and to cast your ballot, which has been inserted in the center of this publication.

The By-laws Committee has been revising this document to reflect the changing role of our organization. We plan to publish these changes in the next issue of *News + Views* and will have a formal vote on the by-law revisions at our annual meeting on June 13.

I would like to thank the members of the Nominating and By-laws Committees for their efforts in making these two projects happen.

## WE'RE ON THE WEB

The Alumni Association and the College of Nursing are now on the World Wide Web. At this site, you can access information about educational programs and highlights about new programs and faculty accomplishments. You can locate us at <http://www.rush.edu>. My e-mail address is [klamb@cnis.rpslmc.edu](mailto:klamb@cnis.rpslmc.edu). Through the miracles of technology you now have more ways to stay in touch: let us know about your accomplishments and keep us posted on your address changes.

# News from the College of Nursing

By Kathleen Gainor Andreoli, DSN, John L. and Helen Kellogg Dean of the College of Nursing and Vice President for Medical Center Nursing Affairs



**COMMENCEMENT DAY** on Saturday, June 8, was a banner day for nurses. Exactly 166 degrees were conferred across the four degree programs: 107 BS degrees; 29 MS degrees; 22 ND degrees; and eight DNSc degrees. As of this day the College of Nursing will have graduated 3,533 students since its first graduating class in 1975.

This year, two wonderful nurses were honored for their lifetime achievements. Iris Shannon, PhD, RN, a founding faculty member of the College of Nursing, received the Trustee Medal. Shannon has dedicated her life to a social justice imperative: that health care is a right and that all Americans deserve access to it. In 1966, Shannon joined Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospi-

tal to direct the nursing program at the new Mile Square Health Center, which brought high-quality, efficient health care to the people who lived in a one-mile square area on Chicago's West Side. She is currently vice president of the Chicago Board of Health.

Rush University also bestowed an honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters to Claire Fagin, PhD, leadership professor and dean emeritus at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing. Fagin has served with dedication and uncommon insight as a nurse educator for more than 40 years. In 1977, while she was director of the Health Professions Institute in New York, she accepted the position of professor and dean of the School of Nursing at the University of Pennsylvania. In 1993, she was chosen to be interim president of Penn — becoming the first woman to serve as chief executive officer at Penn, and the first woman ever to serve as an interim president at an ivy league school.

## WE'RE MOVING

Plans are in the works to move the College of Nursing from Schweppé-Sprague Hall to a new home in the Academic Facility. Two floors totaling 94,000 square feet will be added to the Academic Facility to make this possible. The classrooms will offer teleconferencing

and computer-assisted learning, and will promote interactive and small-group learning. The addition should be completed in time for the 1997 fall quarter.

## PRIMARY CARE CURRICULUM LAUNCHED

Last year I reported that evolving healthcare trends made it necessary for us to change our undergraduate curriculum to focus on practice opportunities in community and outpatient settings. The first year of this new curriculum has been very successful. In addition, the graduate program's primary care practitioner programs realized a dramatic increase in enrollment. For the faculty to remain updated in the role of nursing in primary care, a major voluntary re-tooling program has been initiated. This has been successful as well.

## FUNDING OF GENETIC HEALTH PROGRAM

The federal government's Division of Nursing has extended its funding of the Doctor of Nursing Genetic Health Subspecialization training program for two additional years in the amount of \$259,115. This brings the total five-year funding to \$721,581. Moreover, the program director, Mira Lessick, PhD, RN, Associate Professor of Maternal Child Nursing, has been asked to serve on the NIH Human Genome Research

Initial Review Group, Ethical, Legal and Social Implications Subcommittee.

## COMMITTED TO DIVERSITY

I am pleased to report that Torrey Wilson, staff psychologist and therapist in the Department of Psychiatry at Rush, has accepted the part-time position of Director of Multicultural Affairs in the College of Nursing. Among his many responsibilities, Wilson will be responsible for planning, developing and implementing recruitment and retention programs for students and faculty from under-represented minorities.

## NEW INITIATIVES FOR 1997

The College faculty and leadership are committed to the development and implementation of a faculty practice program that supports education, research and service. Thus, three task forces have been charged to make recommendations to the executive council on quality improvement and evaluation guidelines, participation and reward guidelines, and financial mechanism guidelines. Kathy Pischke-Winn, Assistant to the Director of Nursing Services Research and Support, has been appointed to the part-time position of Coordinator of Faculty Practice.

I hope you share my pride in all these achievements. The College continues to serve its mission at the highest levels.

## Honor Roll of Donors

This honor roll of donors includes all nursing alumni who made gifts to Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in the past fiscal year (July 1, 1995 to June 30, 1996). We have also included a list of our friends who made gifts for nursing at Rush during the same period. Our sincere thanks to all of you for your generosity.

We have made every attempt to list all names and class years accurately. Please contact Michelle Kois, Alumni Relations, at (312) 942-7199 if there are any corrections.

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Past presidents Barbara Shippy Pack (St. Luke's '56) and Kathryn Minor Gdalman (St. Luke's '40) talk with Ann Lipinski Hutchinson (St. Luke's '40) at the Alumni Tea.

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## CLASS NOTES

### 1950s

EILEEN TRIEBES (STEWARD) DOUBLER, Pres. '57, of Rockford, Ill., retired from Swedish American Hospital and from nursing in April. She writes that her husband died in 1989, and she married Duane Doubler in 1994. "We're now enjoying gardening, traveling and retirement in general."

Calling all Presbyterian graduates of the class of 1957, spring and fall! A special 40-year anniversary get-together is being planned for the weekend of Homecoming: Friday, June 13 and Saturday, June 14, 1997. Please contact any of the following graduates for details and information: Alice Carlson Edelman, 105 Swan Dr., Anna, IL 62906, (618) 833-7747; Barb Engelbright LeQuatte, 400 Vicki Lane, Herrin, IL 62948, (618) 942-3347; Carole Wahlstrom Gilberg, 468 Ravine Dr., Highland Park, IL 60035, (847) 433-4112; Pat Syverson Hatz, 849 S. Hawthorne, Elmhurst, IL 60126, (630) 834-1255. Our 35th reunion was great — let's make this one better!

### 1960s

VIRGINIA CHIZMAR INMAN, Pres.-St. Luke's '62, of Los Angeles, Calif., recently completed a degree in political science and is halfway through a master's program. Her son, Tom, is finishing his second year of law school at the University of Southern California.

Inman writes, "I am totally involved in election year politics and enjoy it! Say hello to my classmates."

MARGUERITE SIMPSON ANDERSON, Pres.-St. Luke's '67, of Chicago, Ill., is the director of the skilled nursing unit at Oak Forest Hospital.

### 1970s

KATHLEEN H. POTEMPA, DNSc '86, MS '78, has been appointed Dean of the Oregon Health Sciences University School of Nursing, Portland, Ore.

### 1980s

DAVID A. DUDA, MS '80, of Kankakee, Ill., has been promoted to vice president of patient care services at Riverside Medical Center. Duda serves on the Kankakee Community RN Advisory Board and the Kankakee Interagency Consultation Team. He is also a member of Catholic Charities' Geriatric Multidisciplinary Committee Advisory Board.

### 1990s

BETTY RAMBUR, ND '92, of Bismarck, N.D., has been nominated as the Democratic candidate to represent District 47 in the North Dakota House of Representatives. Rambur is chairperson of the Division of Nursing and director of Nursing Graduate Programs at the University of Mary.

## 40-year grads celebrate

Twenty-six members of the class of '56 from Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing gathered for lunch at the Inn at University Village before Homecoming on June 7. The class has been celebrating together every five years since 1966 with lunch and a newsletter.

Jeanne Seberg Johnson of Liberty, Mo., who recently retired from chairing the nursing department at William Jewell College, shared the 40th anniversary newsletter with *News+Views* editors. The newsletter lists every member of the class with personal notes they submitted about their lives, and lists those members who have died.

The experiences the women mentioned in their notes illustrate the ups and downs that come with four decades. Some alumni have lost husbands or children. Others have made major changes in the direction of their careers and their lives that they never could have predicted while they were students.

The class of '56 is scattered throughout the country, from Pennsylvania to Georgia to California. Many are adjusting to the changes in the healthcare field, such as Diane Eichler Howell of Davis, Calif., who left a county hospital to go to work at one of the Sacramento County Jails — a growth industry in California. While others have retired and moved to the South, like Nancy Helf Peterson of Savanna, Ga., or to the country, like Sherrill Hodson Vliet of Thomasboro, Ill.

Yvonne Johnson Horton of Green Valley, Ariz., traveled 10,000 miles last year in her motor home with her husband. She writes that they have also gone tandem bicycling in Scandinavia and France. Several other alumni love traveling too, including Sally Kasche Sairs who lives in Vermont, but works part time in Alaska, and Dolores Kral Schark of Bartlett, Ill., who has traveled with her husband to the Czech Republic, Hungary, Austria and Germany.

All of the women who contributed to the newsletter took time to recall the wonderful experiences they had in Chicago at Presbyterian. "I owe so much to the education and experience I gained there," writes Clara Cerny Wallin of Sedona, Ariz., who is recovering from a ruptured aneurysm and recently lost her husband to pancreatic cancer. "Forty years! It doesn't seem possible unless I look in the mirror!" writes Deon Pollock Schoenheider of Western Springs, Ill., a common sentiment expressed by alumni.

The newsletter also includes alumni's addresses and phone numbers — a wonderful way for them to keep in touch until their 45th reunion. Valerie Plutz Blumenkrantz of Beverly, Mass., writes, "I hope all the rest of you are doing well and, God willing, we will see each other at our next reunion in 2001."

## Illinois Nursing Act of 1987 ready to sunset

Several Rush nurses have been involved in the writing of the language of the Illinois Nursing Act of 1987, which sunsets in 1997. The act, which governs the practice of all registered nurses and licensed practical nurses in Illinois, is required to be reviewed every 10 years.

The sunset process is important because state legislators have the authority to debate and determine which provisions are added or deleted from the Act, and failure to reauthorize the Act in 1997 could place the public health of the citizens of Illinois at risk.

Given the importance of the Act, the nursing community in Illinois has formed the Nursing Act Planning Committee to assist in the development of new legisla-

tive language and provide organizational structure to the sunset process. Stephen A. Flaherty, MS '92, CRNA, works to recognize advanced practice nursing in Illinois; Sally Brozenec, PhD, MS '77, RN, represents the Illinois League for Nursing; Claudia Jorgenson, MS '95, represents the Emergency Nurses Association; and Margaret Faut-Callahan, DNSc '84, MS '79, and Carol Hyde-Basso, MS '87, ND '95, serve as representatives of advanced practice nurses. If you would like more information on the proposed changes or want to support the process with donations, call: Illinois Nurses Association at (312) 360-2300, or the Illinois Organization of Nurse Leaders (847) 692-9220.

## Homecoming '97 Friday, June 13

Our Annual Homecoming Banquet will be held at the Chicago Hilton and Towers. You should receive specific information in April 1997.

## Recent Grads: Your Response Matters

Alumni surveys are mailed during the summer months, one and three years after graduation. These surveys focus on program satisfaction and the employment and career patterns of graduates. Traditionally, the return rates of these alumni surveys has been low. Please be on the look out for these surveys and return them as indicated. We are proud of our graduates and of their ongoing success. We want to hear from you! — Rosemarie Suhayda, PhD, RN, Director of Evaluation, Rush College of Nursing



Dorothy Stockman (l), Gwendolyn Elrod Carlson, and Marian Frew, all Pres. '46, recall their school days at the Alumni Tea.

## In Memoriam

### Presbyterian

Winnifred Whaley  
Slaughter, Pres. '28, of  
Albuquerque, N.M., Nov.  
15, 1994.

Mary Rikli Dicker-  
son, Pres. '34, of Gales-  
burg, Ill., Aug. 28, 1995.

Dorothy Anderson  
Larkin, Pres. '35, Nash,  
Texas, May 3, 1996.

Shirley Koch Yost,  
Pres. '48, of Wadsworth,  
Ohio, Sept. 4, 1995.

Martha Koehn Gale,  
Pres. '51, of Corona, Calif.,  
March 1996.

June Earlandson  
Thiel, Pres. '56, of Orange,  
Calif., Aug. 13, 1995.

### St. Luke's

Edna M. Rothe, St.  
Luke's '21, of Pompano  
Beach, Fla., June 22, 1996.

Anita Fraser Swag-  
gerty, St. Luke's '25, of  
Oshkosh, Wis., March 17,  
1996.

Eunice Hawke  
Levander, St. Luke's '38,  
of Largo Fla., June 26, 1996.

Kathryn Emmons  
Robbel, St. Luke's '38, of  
Palos Heights, Ill., Feb.  
1996.

Shizuko "Chico"  
Kawai Torgerson, St.  
Luke's '57, of Park Ridge,  
Ill., May 7, 1996.

### Presbyterian- St. Luke's

Charlotte Tice  
Brouwer, Pres.-St.  
Luke's '60, of Vicksburg,  
Mich., Jan. 20, 1996.

### Rush

Janet Ridder, Rush '89, of  
Villa Park, Ill., May 20, 1996.

## Select Your Candidates

It's that time again to select who will represent you on the 1997-1998 Board of Directors of the Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Nurses Alumni Association.

The following is a brief biography of each candidate. Please take the time to complete your ballot, which can be found in the center of this issue of *News + Views*, and return it in the attached envelope. We will need your response by December 15, 1996, for it to count in the official tally.

### President

**Karen VanDyke Lamb** is a 1967 graduate of the Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing. She also has two degrees from Rush University — a master of science in nursing and a doctor of nursing. She is the current president of the Nurses Alumni Association.

### Vice President

**Cathy Catrambone** is a 1989 graduate of Rush University with a master of science degree in nursing. She is a former president of the Professional Nursing Staff at Rush and is currently chairperson of the Nurses Alumni Association's Program and Social Committee.

### Secretary/Treasurer

**Margaret Faut-Callahan** is a graduate of Rush University—receiving a master of science degree in 1979 and a doctor of nursing science degree in 1984. She is currently the director of the Nurse Anesthesia Program at Rush.

**Jolene Zimmerman Detzel** is a 1992 graduate of Rush University with a bachelor of science degree in nursing.

She is the current secretary/treasurer of the Nurses Alumni Association.

### Board Members

**Gwen Bohlke** is a 1990 graduate of the Rush University with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. She is the immediate past president of the Professional Nursing Staff at Rush.

**Sally Brozenec** is a 1977 graduate of Rush University with a master of science degree in nursing. She is currently serving on the Nurses Alumni Association Board of Directors.

**Barbara Rapp Fisli** is a 1977 graduate of Rush University with a master of science degree in nursing. She currently serves as chairperson of the Nurses Alumni Association Nominating Committee.

**Inette Hoxsey Godman** is a 1961 graduate of the Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing. She is currently serving on the Nurses Alumni Association Board of Directors.

**Carolyn Wessel Helf** is a 1957 graduate of the Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing and a 1987 graduate of Rush University with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. She currently serves on the Nurses Alumni Association Board of Directors.

**Sueane Hemmer** is a 1996 graduate of Rush University with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. While a student, she served as president of the Illinois Student Nurses Association.

**Lisa Sigg Mendelson** is a 1965 graduate of the Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing. She is currently a faculty member in the College of Nursing.

**Nancy Hayda Mills** is a 1965 graduate of the Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing. Nancy is the current vice president of the Nurses Alumni Association Board of Directors.

**Joan Nelson** is a 1953 graduate of the St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing. She currently serves on the Nurses Alumni Association Board of Directors and is also chairperson of the Bylaws Revision Committee.

**Mildred Hudak Perlia** is a 1954 graduate of the Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing. She currently serves on the Nurses Alumni Association Board of Directors and is also chairperson of the scholarship committee.

**Sandra Scribano Robertson** is a 1957 graduate of the St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing. She currently serves on the Nurses Alumni Association Board of Directors.

**Kimberly Skinner Rohan** is a 1984 graduate of Rush University with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. She is currently a member of the Nominating Committee.

**Barbara Edgar Schmidt** is a 1953 graduate of the St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing. She currently serves on the Nurses Alumni Association Board of Directors.

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